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SUBJ: ANTICIPATED JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE PACOM FOR EXEMPTIONS
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1. SUMMARY. JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE APPEARS TO HAVE SHIFTED PLANNED ACTIVITY FROM MASS ACTIONS IN NYC AREA, ESPECIALLY IN VICINITY SMUN, WHICH USUALLY ACCOMPANIED BY MINOR VIOLENCE TO PLANS FOR POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ACTIVITY, BOTH IN NY AND WASH, BY SMALL GROUPS OF INNER CIRCLE JDL FANATICS. NYC LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY STUDYING JDL BOMBING ATTEMPT. RECOMMEND ACTIONS FOR DEPARTMENT TO CONSIDER IN STUDYING PREVENTIVE ACTION AGAINST JDL HARASSMENT SOVIETS IN WASHINGTON AREA.

2. WE THINK JDL WILL SHIFT EMPHASIS FROM MASS DEMONSTRATIONS IN NYC, ESPECIALLY NEAR SMUN, BECAUSE DURING SUMMER VACATION PERIOD STUDENTS ARE LESS ACCESSIBLE TO JDL ORGANIZERS AND BECAUSE MEDIA INTEREST IN DEMONSTRATIONS IS DECLINING AS NOVELTY OF THESE THINGS HAS WORN OFF. IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT A JDL-PLANNED DEMONSTRATION JUNE 1 FIZZLED, APPARENTLY BECAUSE POOR TURNOUT AT EAST SIDE SYNAGOGUE GATHERING POINT IN LOWER MANHATTAN. PERSUADED JDL TO CANCEL DEMONSTRATION RATHER THAN MAKE MODEST SHOWING.

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3. FOLLOWING ARE INDICATORS JDL APPARENTLY PLANNING SHIFT TO ACTIONS BY INDIVIDUALS OR SMALL GROUPS WHICH MAY BE MORE VIOLENT AND POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS.

(A) WASHINGTON STAR JUNE 7 CARRIED AP REPORT THAT RABBI KAHANE HAS ANNOUNCED STEP UP IN JDL ACTIVITY PLANNED FOR WASHINGTON DURING "JEWISH IDENTITY WEEK" SCHEDULED JUNE 23-27. HE SAID JDL INTENTION TO HARASS SOVIETS IN WASHINGTON. PROBABLY INTEND TO ACT IN SAME WAY AS WAS CASE IN NY NEAR SMUN, I.E. FOLLOWING SOVIETS UNTIL THEY OUT OF SIGHT OF POLICE, THEN USE ABUSIVE LANGUAGE, THREATEN AND POINT SOVIETS OUT TO THIRD PARTIES, ETC.

(B) ARREST OF TWO IMPORTANT JDL MEMBERS ON JUNE 4 IN MID-TOWN NEW YORK WITH MAKINGS OF BOMBS IN THEIR CAR INDICATES AT LEAST SOME MEMBERS JDL AGAIN PLANNING BOMBINGS. TARGET IN THIS CASE BELIEVED MOST LIKELY TO HAVE BEEN GROUP FROM PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO) WHO WERE TO BOARD BUS NEXT MORNING IN SAME AREA. THIS NOT CERTAIN AND NEARBY TASS OFFICE MAY HAVE BEEN INTENDED TARGET.

4. WE UNDERSTAND NY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE CALLED STRATEGY MEETING OF LOCAL AND FEDERAL OFFICIALS JUNE 8 TO CONSIDER PROSECUTION OPPORTUNITIES PRESENTED BY BOMB ARREST. WE HAVE ASKED TO BE INFORMED IN DETAIL ABOUT MEETING.

5. TRIALS OF RABBI KAHANE AND OTHER JDL KEY MEMBERS MAY INHIBIT JDL AT LEAST SO FAR AS MASS ACTIONS CONCERNED DURING NEXT FEW MONTHS. IMPORTANT TRIAL IN EASTERN DISTRICT NY FED CT OF RABBI KAHANE AND OTHER JDL LEADERS FOR CONSPIRING TO VIOLATE U.S. GUN LAWS NOT LIKELY BEFORE OCT BUT TIME RUNNING OUT FOR JDL IN OTHER CASES. IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT NY JUDGE WANTS TRY JDL HARDHEAD SANDOR STERNBERG JUNE 14 OR SOON AFTER. MOTIONS IN MARRY PEARL CASE TO BE DISPOSED OF JUNE 14 AND JUDGE HOPES TRY CASE NO LATER THAN EARLY JULY. IN NY SUPREME COURT RABBI KAHANE AND 7 OTHERS ARRESTED ON FELONY CHARGES ARISING OUT OF THREE SEPARATE INCIDENTS DURING 1970 AT SMUN. INTOURIST AND ARAB-AMERICAN RELATIONS OFFICES MUST APPEAR JUNE 14. TRIAL DATES WILL BE SET FOR SOME OF THESE DEFENDANTS. RABBI KAHANE TRIAL PROBABLY WILL BE IN EARLY JULY.

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THIRD TRIAL OF RABBI KAHANE AND TWO OTHERS FOR CRIMINAL TRESPASS AND OTHER OFFENSES AT TASS NY OFFICE ON DECEMBER 22, 1969 WILL TAKE PLACE IN NY CRIMINAL CT JUNE 28. TWO EARLIER TRIALS RESULTED IN HUNG JURIES. EVEN THOUGH YOUNG JDL STALWARTS HAVE BEEN EXTRAORDINARILY BLASE ABOUT ARRESTS AND TRIALS JDL SURELY WILL BE TIED UP TO SOME EXTENT BY THESE TRIALS.

6. WE NOTE POLICE IN WASH AREA ARE AWARE OF JDL PLANS AND ARE PREPARING FOR THEM AND THAT DEPT. HAS BROUGHT RABBI KAHANE STATEMENT TO ATTENTION POLICE AUTHORITIES OF D.C., VIRGINIA AND MARYLAND. SUGGEST IT MIGHT ALSO BE HELPFUL TO REVIEW HARASSING TACTICS JDL HAS USED IN VICINITY SMUN AND STUDY TO WHAT EXTENT THEY VIOLATE CRIMINAL STATUTES IN WASHINGTON AREA JURISDICTIONS. POLICE COULD THEN BE BRIEFED ON WHAT TO EXPECT AND COUNTER TACTICS DEVELOPED IN ADVANCE. IN VIEW BOMB EFFORTS AND GUN CASES INVOLVING SOME JDL MEMBERS IN PAST SUGGEST POLICE REVIEW SEARCH POWERS. WE ALSO WONDER IF RABBI KAHANE'S STATEMENT TO PRESS WHICH HE MADE IN NY CITY MIGHT NOT OPEN HIM TO FEDERAL CONSPIRACY CHARGES IF HE FOLLOWS UP BY FURTHER INFLAMMATORY ACTIONS IN WASHINGTON AREA. RECOMMEND THAT DEPT. MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENT THAT IT WORKING WITH LOCAL POLICE TO PROVIDE PROTECTION TO SOVIETS. THIS WOULD BE HELPFUL VIS A VIS SOVIETS AND MIGHT DISSUADE SOME DEMONSTRATORS FROM MORE EXTREME ACTIONS. BUSH

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